Inscription chiseled on a stone at a Pacific theater cemetery:

"For your tomorrow We gave our today."

We must never forget the selfless sacrifice of our veterans, to put themselves in harms' way so that people that they never knew could carry on a better life in the American way. Wisconsinites have never hesitated to step forward when our country has called, and Wisconsin has a long history of contributing to protecting our nation and its values.

At the end of the Civil War, President Lincoln, in closing his Second Inaugural address, called on the nation "to bind up the nation'swounds; to care for him who shall have borne the battle, and for his widow, and his orphan." We need to heed those words and must honor our commitments to those Americans and their families who have selflessly answered the call to service. That's why Ihave been, and continue to be, a strong supporter of our veterans, military retirees, and their families.

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